HOUSE BILL 489 By Burchett

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dr. Edgar Lattimore Compere.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Dr. Edgar Lattimore Compere: and

WHEREAS, Dr. Compere was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee who was very dedicated to his profession, community and family; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Compere was a humanitarian, respected nuclear scientist and former professor; his philosophy was to "leave the world better than the way you found it"; and

WHEREAS, in World War II, Dr. Compere worked to develop advanced high octane gasolines for fighter planes; and

WHEREAS, after the war, he served as Associate Professor of Chemistry at Louisiana State University and as a nuclear scientist at Oak Ridge National Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Compere was active in the American Nuclear Society, the American Chemical Society and was a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Institute of Chemists; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement, Dr. Compere and his wife devoted much of their time to local environmental groups and founded the Knoxville Green Association; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Compere enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of 51 years, Maria, and is also survived by daughters, Alicia, Suzy and Teresa; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine scientist; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Dr. Edgar Lattimore Compere, remembering with admiration his love of life and his many contributions to science and to the protection of our environment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Dr. Compere.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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